

Amendment to the Specification:

In the paragraph starting on page 6, line 15, please make the following changes:

Network 100 may utilize any packet data protocol for traffic movement among switches and end-node devices. For example, network 100 may use Internet Protocol (IP), Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM), Synchronous Optical Network (SONET), Ethernet, Infiniband, which is an architecture that is a channel based, switched fabric server input/output for data centers, clustering and Internet computing environments as promulgated by InfiniBand® Trade Association, RapidIO, which is a technology that is an established, scalable, packet-switched, high-performance fabric specifically developed to address the needs of equipment designers in the wireless infrastructure, edge networking, storage, scientific, military and industrial markets as promulgated by the RapidIO® Trade Association, and the like. As such, network 100 utilizes data packets having fixed or variable length, defined by the applicable protocol.